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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a cold case investigation unit within the  
2 department of public safety.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 80.25 Cold case investigation unit.

2 1. There is created under the control, direction, and

3 supervision of the commissioner of public safety a state cold

4 case investigation unit. The commissioner of public safety

5 may assign the cold case investigation unit to a division or

6 bureau within the department. The unit shall, within the

7 capabilities of the unit, conduct criminal investigations after

8 the initial criminal investigation has been completed by the

9 law enforcement agency conducting the initial investigation

10 related to the crime. Agents of the division of criminal

11 investigation may be assigned to the unit by the commissioner.

12 2. The department shall adopt rules in accordance with

13 chapter 17A to administer this section.

### EXPLANATION

15           The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
16           the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

17       This bill establishes a cold case investigation unit within  
18 the department of public safety.

19 The bill provides that the commissioner of public safety  
20 may assign the cold case investigation unit to a division or  
21 bureau within the department. Under the bill, the cold case  
22 investigation unit shall, within the capabilities of the unit,  
23 conduct criminal investigations after the initial criminal  
24 investigation has been completed by the law enforcement agency  
25 conducting the original investigation related to the crime.  
26 The bill provides that the agents of the division of criminal  
27 investigation may be assigned to the unit by the commissioner.